

Hon. Richard A. Jones

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

E.L.A. and O.L.C.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Defendant.

No. 2:20-cv-01524-RAJ

ORDER SETTING TRIAL DATE  
AND RELATED DATES

**BENCH TRIAL DATE**

**APRIL 7, 2025**

Length of Trial

15 days

Deadline for Joining Additional Parties

October 10, 2023

Deadline to File Amended Pleadings

October 10, 2023

Fact Discovery Deadline

June 7, 2024

Expert Witness Disclosure/Reports  
Under FRCP 26(a)(2) Due

July 18, 2024

Rebuttal Expert Witness Disclosure/Reports Due

August 16, 2024

Deadline for Depositions of Rebuttal Experts

September 20, 2024

All motions related to discovery must be noted  
on the motion calendar no later than the Friday  
before discovery closes pursuant to  
LCR7(d)(3)

1	All dispositive motions and motions	
2	challenging expert witness testimony	
3	must be filed by	October 18, 2024
4	Response briefs on dispositive motions	
5	and motions challenging expert witness	
6	testimony due	November 16, 2024
7	Reply briefs on dispositive motions	
8	and motions challenging expert witness	
9	testimony due	December 13, 2024
10	All motions <i>in limine</i> must be filed by	March 10, 2025
11	Agreed Pretrial Order due	March 24, 2025
12	Pretrial conference	To be set by the Court
13	Trial briefs, deposition designations	
14	and trial exhibits due	March 31, 2025

15           **These are firm dates that can be changed only by order of the Court, not**  
16 **by agreement of counsel or the parties. The Court will alter these dates only**  
17 **upon good cause shown.** If the trial date assigned to this matter creates an  
18 irreconcilable conflict, counsel must notify Victoria Ericksen, Courtroom Deputy, by  
19 email at [victoria\\_ericksen@wawd.uscourts.gov](mailto:victoria_ericksen@wawd.uscourts.gov) within 10 days of the date of this  
20 Order and must set forth the exact nature of the conflict. A failure to do so will be  
21 deemed a waiver. Counsel must be prepared to begin trial on the date scheduled, but  
22 it should be understood that the trial may have to await the completion of other  
23 cases.

24           Counsel are directed to review Judge Jones' Chambers Procedures at  
25 <http://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/judges/jones-procedures>. Counsel are expected to  
26 abide by the requirements set forth therein. Failure to do so may result in the  
imposition of sanctions.

## ALTERATIONS TO FILING PROCEDURES

Counsel are required to electronically file all documents with the Court. Pro se litigants may file either electronically or in paper form. Information and procedures for electronic filing can be found on the Western District of Washington's website at <http://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/attorneys/cmecf>.

The following alteration to the Filing Procedures applies in all cases pending before Judge Jones:

**Mandatory Courtesy Copies for Chambers:** Courtesy copies are only required for filings of administrative records, and for all civil documents over 50 pages. The paper copy of the documents (binders with tabs or other organizing aids as necessary) shall be delivered to the Clerk's Office by 12:00 p.m. on the business day after filing. The chambers copy must be clearly marked with the words "Courtesy Copy of Electronic Filing for Chambers." The parties are required to print all courtesy copies from CM/ECF using the "Include headers when displaying PDF documents" feature under "Document Options." This requirement does not apply to pleadings filed under seal.

## COOPERATION

As required by LCR 37(a), all discovery matters are to be resolved by agreement, if possible. Counsel and the parties are further directed to cooperate in preparing the final Pretrial Order in the format required by LCR 16.1.

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**SETTLEMENT**

Should this case settle, counsel shall notify Victoria Ericksen as soon as possible at [victoria\\_ericksen@wawd.uscourts.gov](mailto:victoria_ericksen@wawd.uscourts.gov). An attorney or party who fails to give the Court prompt notice of settlement may be subject to such discipline as the Court deems appropriate.

DATED: June 7, 2023.

  
The Honorable Richard A. Jones  
United States District Judge